SUMMARY OF LAKE VILLA SIGN CODE

Temporary Signs

Temporary Signs are permitted for a new business for the first thirty (30) days the business is open, upon issuance of a no fee permit.

Temporary Signs may be displayed four (4) times per calendar year, upon issuance of a no fee permit.

Temporary Signs are permitted for fifteen (15) consecutive days with a fifteen (15) day wait period between displays.

A maximum of three (3) temporary signs are permitted for each display.

Maximum temporary sign height is four (4) feet, unless a feather design is used.

Maximum temporary sign area is thirty-two (32) square feet.

All temporary signs not listed are not permitted.

A no fee permit is required for each display.

Ground Signs (Monuments)

One (1) ground sign is permitted per zoning lot, upon issuance of a permit.

Maximum ground sign height: 12 ft.

Maximum ground sign area: 120 sq. ft.

Commercial centers are allowed one (1) ground sign per entrance; two (2) ground signs maximum.

Commercial centers more than seven hundred fifty (750) linear of street frontage are allowed a maximum of three (3) ground signs.

Ground signs must be constructed of stone, brick, wood, or other distinctive material.

Internal and external illumination is permitted.

A permit is required for new ground signs and the replacement of words and logos. Painting and preventative maintenance does not require a permit.

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Wall Signs

Size maximum is 0.70 square feet of wall signage area per one (1) linear foot of exterior wall width that fronts a public street. (Example: a 20 linear foot exterior wall would allow for a 14 square foot sign)

Maximum of two hundred (200) square feet of wall signage is permitted

Wall signs must incorporated building’s design aspects and color scheme

Wall signs must be constructed of non-flexible material and cannot be painted directly on walls

Wall signs may be internally and/or externally illuminated

Permit is required for new and replacement wall signs

Window Signs

Window signs cannot exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of glass areas. No permit is required.

LED Signs

Limited to one (1) LED sign display is permitted per ground sign

Ground LED display cannot exceed forty (40) square feet

LED sign messages background must be a solid color

LED sign messages must be static for a minimum of eight (8) seconds between animations

LED sign message text cannot be more than two colors

There is no limit on the number of colors for picture or videos.

LED signs may not be in addition to the permitted number of ground signs

Permit is required for new and replacement signs

Miscellaneous

Home occupations are not permitted to use exterior signs

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